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HISTORIC PRESERVATION CERTIFICATION APPLICATION
PART 1 — EVALUATION OF SIGNIFICANCE

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Instructions: Read the instructions carefully before completing application. No certification will be made unless a completed application form has been received. Type or print clearly in black ink. If additional space is needed, use continuation sheets or attach blank sheets.

1. Name of property: 624 South Paca Street
Address of property: Street 624 South Paca Street
City Baltimore County State Maryland Zip 21201
Name of historic district: Ridgely's Delight
☒ National Register district ☐ certified state or local district ☐ potential historic district

2. Check nature of request:

- ☒ certification that the building contributes to the significance of the above-named historic district for the purpose of rehabilitation.
☐ certification that the structure or building and, where appropriate, the land area on which such a structure or building is located contributes to the significance of the above-named historic district for a charitable contribution for conservation purposes.
☐ certification that the building does not contribute to the significance of the above-named district.
☐ preliminary determination for individual listing in the National Register.
☐ preliminary determination that a building located within a potential historic district contributes to the significance of the district.
☐ preliminary determination that a building outside the period or area of significance contributes to the significance of the district.

3. Project contact:

Name Whitney H. Farnham
Street 1409 Bolton Street City Baltimore
State Maryland Zip 21217 Daytime Telephone Number (301) 539-8210

4. Owner:

I hereby attest that the information I have provided is, to the best of my knowledge, correct, and that I own the property described above. I understand that falsification of factual representations in this application is subject to criminal sanctions of up to \$10,000 in fines or imprisonment for up to five years pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1001.

Name Lyman & Suzanne Farnham Signature Suzanne Farnham Date 3/18/91

Organization

Social Security or Taxpayer Identification Number

Street 1409 Bolton Street City Baltimore

State Maryland Zip 21217 Daytime Telephone Number (301) 669-0220

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The National Park Service has reviewed the "Historic Preservation Certification Application — Part 1" for the above-named property and hereby determines that the property:

- ☒ contributes to the significance of the above-named district and is a "certified historic structure" for the purpose of rehabilitation.
☐ contributes to the significance of the above-named district and is a "certified historic structure" for a charitable contribution for conservation purposes in accordance with the Tax Treatment Extension Act of 1980.
☐ does not contribute to the significance of the above-named district.

Preliminary Determinations:

- ☐ appears to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely be listed in the National Register of Historic Places if nominated by the State Historic Preservation Officer according to the procedures set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.
☐ does not appear to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely not be listed in the National Register.
☐ appears to contribute to the significance of a potential historic district, which will likely be listed in the National Register of Historic Places if nominated by the State Historic Preservation Officer.
☐ appears to contribute to the significance of a registered historic district but is outside the period or area of significance as documented in the National Register nomination or district documentation on file with the NPS.
☐ does not appear to qualify as a certified historic structure.

Date 8/20/91 National Park Service Authorized Signatory Suzanne Farnham National Park Service Office Telephone No. 215-397-1580

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5. Description of physical appearance:

This three-story late Federal masonry rowhouse faces south on Paca Street with two original six lite hinged half windows at the third floor front; two one-over-one double-hung sash windows at the second floor front; a boarded-over door with transom and a one-over-one window at the first floor front, both with jack arches; no front steps, a bricked-over coal door, a small square opening and a full-size door at the basement level (photos 1,2,& 3).

The main portion of the house has a gently sloping peaked metal roof that runs parallel to the street. The rear of the house is L-shaped and has three levels of roof that slope in various directions (photos 4,5,10, & 32).

An original side door on the L is flanked on both sides with double-hung two-over-two lite windows, now boarded over (photo 6). The main roof of the house has two double chimneys, while the L of the house has one double chimney (photos 9 & 10).

(Description continued on next page.)

Date of Construction: circa 1840 Source of Date: Michael Trostel, historic architect

Date(s) of Alteration(s): kitchen added 1890's (Bromley map); kitchen expanded (date unknown); protruding wall adjacent to front wall (date unknown); 2nd floor back room converted into bathroom and dressing room (date unknown)
Has building been moved? ☐ yes ☒ no. If so, when?

6. Statement of significance:

Ridgely's Delight is a 19th-century neighborhood with housing that reflects a varied socio-economic makeup. The 600 block of Paca Street represents a period of transition from a working-class area into one that included professionals. The block is a combination of Federal style and Italianate facades (photos 28 and 29).

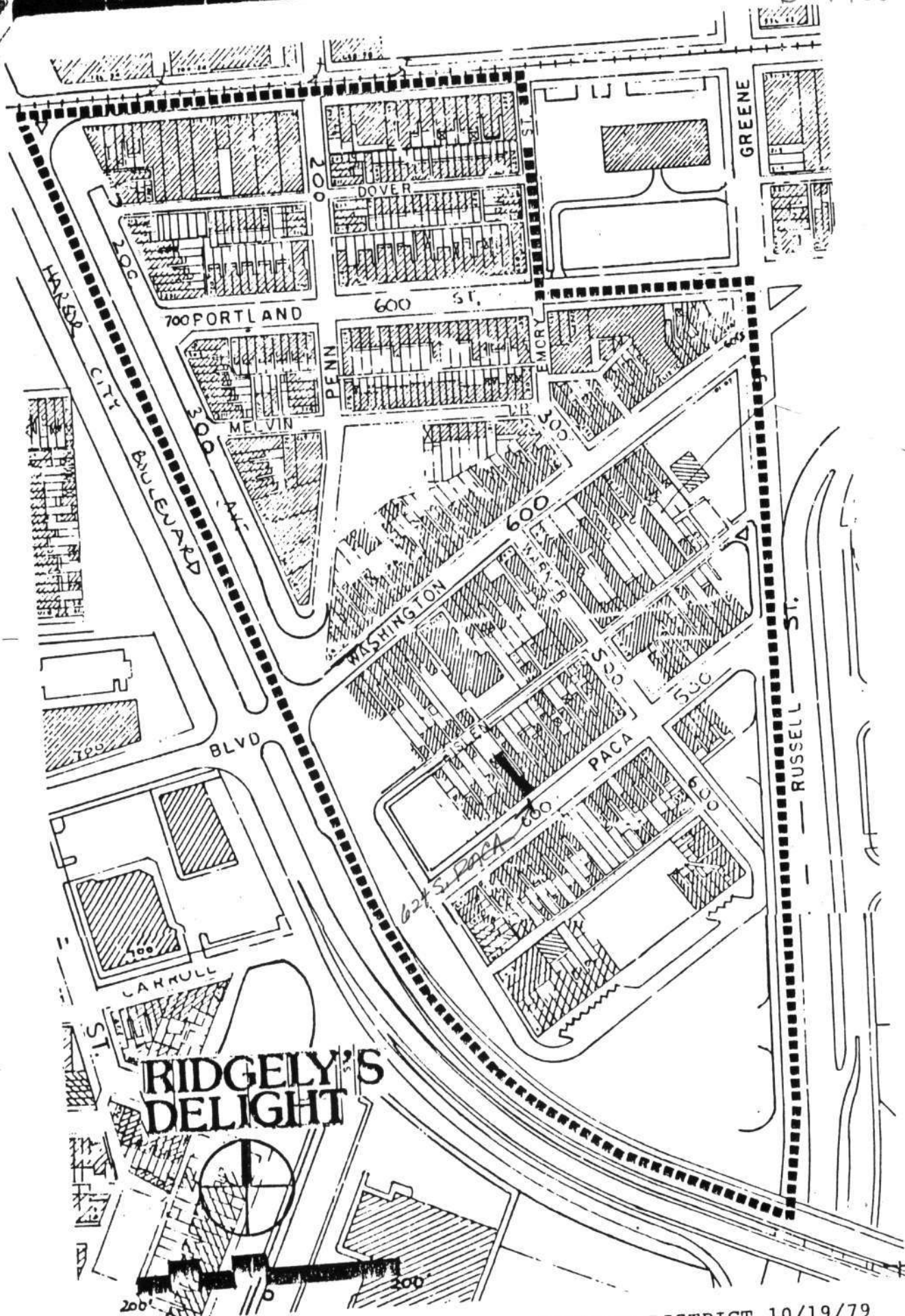
The house at 624 South Paca is typical of the late Federal period. It is the only house on the street boarded up on the front. Its restoration will complete the streetscape to make a very attractive vista (photo 30).

7. Photographs and maps.

Attach photographs and maps to application.

Continuation sheets attached: ☒ yes ☐ no

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RIDGELY'S DELIGHT BALTIMORE CITY HISTORIC DISTRICT 10/19/79
RIDGELY'S DELIGHT NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT 6/6/80

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Parts 1 & 2
Photos taken April 1991



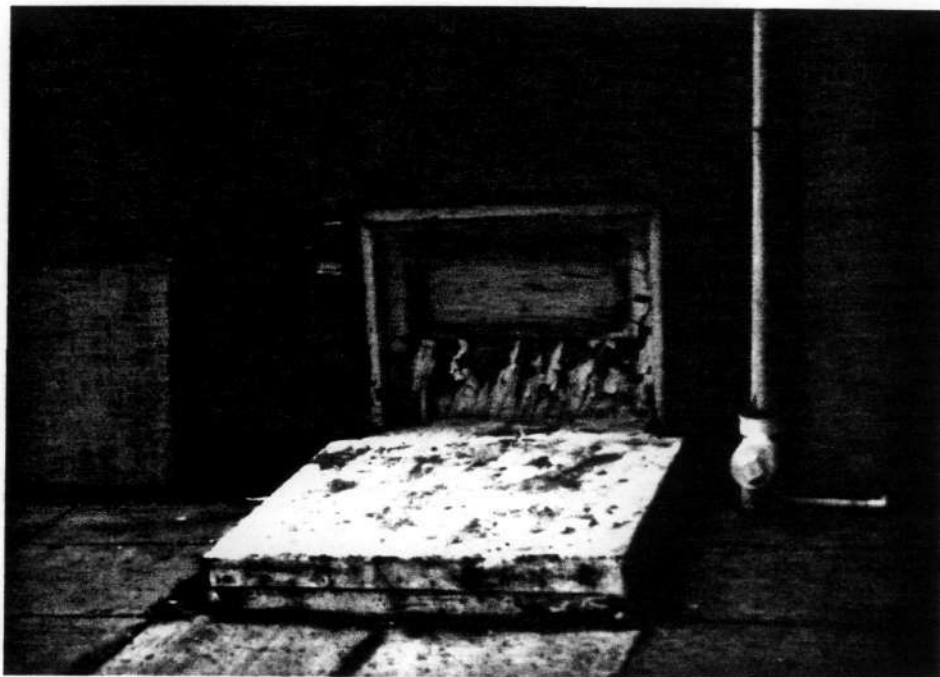
1. Southern exposure
(photographer facing north).
Front view of 624 on right;
626 (rehabed) on left.

2. Southern exposure
(photographer facing north).
Boarded over front door; front
steps missing; bricked-over coal
shute below; jack arch above
door.



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3. Southern exposure
(photographer facing north).
Deteriorated cellar door, loose
bricks around doorway; boarded
over window-like opening.

4. Northern exposure
(photographer facing south).
L shaped back; three levels of
roof; chimneys and tin roof
visible; second and third story
stucco over brick; collapsed back
wall covered with plywood and
tarp.

